

TOWN OF LOS GATOS

RJ BRYANT SERVICE CENTER 41 MILES AVENUE LOS GATOS, CA 95030

TRANSPORTATION & PARKING COMMISSION

THURSDAY, JULY 9, 2015 7:30 A.M. REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The Transportation and Parking Commission Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:32 a.m. by **Chair Calise** via teleconference phone.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioner Robert Buxton, Chair Mike Calise (via teleconference), Commissioner

Maria Ristow, Commissioner Morgan Slain, Vice-Chair Ed Stahl and Commissioner

Chris Tanimoto

Absent: Commissioner Natalie Ladd

Staff: Lisa Petersen Town Engineer - PPW

JR Langer Lieutenant - Police Department Kalipo Kauweloa Sergeant - Police Department

Guests: Peter Hertan Town BPAC Member

Sandra Vaurs Town Resident

MOTION: Vice-Chair Stahl motioned that Commissioner Tanimoto be appointed as Pro-Tem Chair

for this meeting, in Chair Calise's physical absence.

Seconded by Commissioner Buxton.

VOTE: AYE: 6 NAY: 0 ABSENT: 1

3. APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 11, 2015 MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING

MOTION: Vice-Chair Stahl motioned to approve the minutes for the June 11th Regular Meeting.

Seconded by Commissioner Buxton.

VOTE: AYE: 6 NAY: 0 ABSENT: 1

4. VERBAL COMMUNICATIONS

(Three minute time limit per speaker for subjects not agendized.)

A. <u>Public Speakers</u>

None

B. <u>Commissioners (information only, not for discussion).</u>

Pro-Tem Chair Tanimoto announced that Vice-Chair Stahl had been voted Business Person of the Year. He also added that he attended Parking for Driving, Convenient Places on June 23, 2015 in Palo Alto and also shared a newspaper article, "Parking goes vertical and High Tech.

Items to be added to next month's agenda:

Parking for Driving, Convenient Places in Palo Alto

Creating a Q&A Los Gatos Weekly newspaper column regarding Transportation & Parking Commission

5. <u>COMMISSION MATTERS</u>

A. Chairperson Report

Chair Calise reminded the Commission to be productive and efficient at this meeting. He also stated that the Commission had previously discussed and worked on the Hwy 17 cut through traffic issue.

B. Board and Commission Adopted Priorities

Pro-Tem Chair Tanimoto requested that the order of item 1 and 2 be reversed to accommodate the public attendees.

2. Traffic: Investigate ways to deal w/ "cut through" traffic from Hwy 17 & Downtown gridlock

Resident Peter Hertan expressed the need for community outreach on the Town efforts on correcting the Hwy 17 cut through traffic issue. **Resident Sandra Vaurs** expressed her concern about emergency access when Hwy 17 backs up. She also concurred with Resident Hertan's community outreach concept. The Commission commented and discussed this item. **Town Engineer Petersen** stated that Town staff had met with Caltrans regarding this issue and possibly meeting with a traffic consultant to discuss possible solutions. **Commissioner Ristow** asked that a report be sent for the August 4th Council Meeting with the Commission's ideas: Chamber of Commerce collaboration, Caltrans Board with travel time, Monitoring Incidents, Emergency Contingency- CERT, Google Waze Contact, Bottleneck location and Resident messaging.

Item to be kept on next month's agenda per Chair Calise and Pro-Tem Chair Tanimoto.

1. Safety: Encourage Town Council adoption of Vision Zero

(Buxton/Slain)

Commissioner Slain provided a report on the Vision Zero presentation handouts. Commission commented and discussed this item.

MOTION: Commissioner Buxton motioned to declare the Commission's interest in safety

for all road users and therefore pursue Vision Zero and ask staff to recommend the Council to declare its' interest in this program.

Seconded: Vice-Chair Stahl

VOTE: AYE: 6 NAY: 0 ABSENT: 1

3. Parking: Coordinate with Town Council Ad Hoc Committee on plans for parking garage (Ladd/ Stahl)

No Comments.

4. Schools: Investigate busing program

No Comments.

5. Electric vehicles: Deploy additional stations and expand existing locations

Town Engineer Petersen stated that Jim Harbin, PPW Environmental Services Manager, would be coming to the August meeting to make a presentation on the EV stations. Item to be tabled until the August Meeting.

6. Technology: Investigate new parking efficiency technologies

Town Engineer Petersen stated that Director Morley would be providing a VIMOC demonstration at the August meeting. Commission discussed the current location of the pilot VIMOC system.

7. Efficiency: Maximize use of grants and outside funding sources for all projects

Town Engineer Petersen reported that there were two grants that have been looked into: County Health Department Grant for increasing activities specifically around schools with a focus on a Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan and also a MTC Climate Initiative for parking management to expand downtown parking.

6. <u>DEPARTMENT MATTERS/ ITEMS FOR INFORMATION</u>

A. <u>PD Update</u>

Sergeant Kauweloa reported on May – June traffic statistics, Middle and High School graduations and PD/ PPW maintenance issues. Commissioners commented and discussed these items.

B. PPW Director's Report

Town Engineer Petersen provided a brief report on Envision 2040.

C. Transportation & Parking Projects Update FY 2014 - 2015

Town Engineer Petersen provided an update on: Winchester/ Lark Improvements, Sidewalk/ Curb& Gutter replacements, Annual Street Resurfacing and Jackson Street Retaining Wall.

D. Transportation & Parking Projects Update FY 2015 – 2016

Town Engineer Petersen provided an update on: Almond Grove and Life Safety projects.

7. COMMISSION/ COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS

A. Town Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Commission

Commissioner Ristow reported that this commission meets every other month, next meeting would be August 6^{th} . No new update until after that meeting.

B. Safe Routes to Schools

Commissioner Ristow stated that the last meeting was in June and the next meeting would be on August 19th. No new update until after that meeting.

C. VTA BPAC

Peter Hertan stated that the July VTA BPAC meeting had been cancelled. The next meeting would be August 12th.

8. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

MOTION: Vice-Chair Stahl motioned for the adjournment of this meeting at 8:50 a.m.

Seconded: Commissioner Buxton.

VOTE: AYE: 6 NAY: 0 ABSENT: 1

Next Regular Meeting: Thursday, August 13, 2015 at 7:30 a.m.

FINAL APPROVED MINUTES WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE TOWN'S WEBSITE AFTER THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING, Thursday, August 13, 2015.